

**"K" DIVISION CRIMINAL ANALYSIS SECTION****OPEN SOURCE INTELLIGENCE REPORT
PUBLIC ORDER EVENTS
K Division – 2022/02/05 12:00 Update****COUTTS AND RELATED PUBLIC ORDER EVENTS K DIVISION****BACKGROUND**

K DCAS is engaged in focused open source collection on events related to the Coutts border matter occurring in RCMP jurisdiction in Alberta. The intent is to identify any events that may present officer or public safety concerns.

KEY FINDINGS

- There are at least 10 events planned for today in K Division.
- The following detachments may be impacted by these events:
 - Milk River
 - Sylvan Lake
 - Coaldale
 - All detachments along Highway 2 corridor.
 - All detachments along Highway 16 east of Edmonton

SUMMARY OF PUBLIC ORDER EVENTS IN K DIVISION

Updates appear in **GREEN**

COUTTS BORDER PROTEST

Protesters at Coutts and Milk River have continued to post on social media, sometimes with live video. There are also multiple callouts for additional support at Coutts Border Crossing and for additional supplies. On 2022/02/05, additional protesters intend to convoy to the Coutts border crossing to support it. This group indicated that it would meet in Nisku, AB.

Post located from "Personal" on Facebook indicates that a convoy will proceed from the Nisku Truck Stop at 09:30 on 2022/02/05, going south on Highway 2A through Wetaskiwin and Ponoka, then proceeding onto Highway 2, continuing to Coutts via Calgary and Lethbridge.

"Personal" observed that RCMP members were recording license plates at Coutts on 2022/02/05.

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A video was shared to Instagram on 2022/02/04 by user "saralara85" that showed organizers at Coutts reading demands for rural MLA's to leave the UCP and become independent.

A poster attributed to the private group "Freedom Hub Lethbridge" was located indicating a rally on Highway 4 south of Milk River in support of the truckers at 12:00 on 2022/02/05.

COUTTS HORSEBACK RIDERS

Facebook Group "Alberta (Coutts) Freedom Horseback Riders 2022" has a planned event 2022/02/05 to attend the Milk River Barricade and the Coutts Border Crossing. Additional posts located refer to using horseback riders to bypass the blockades, bring supplies to people currently there, etc.

Post also located on "Alberta (Coutts) Freedom Horseback Riders 2022" identifying hotels where RCMP members are staying. Post located calling for assistance to shut down.

Social media posts indicated that as many as 500 riders would be attending. Updates since have suggested that approximately 200 riders are in the Milk River area. The meeting place was identified as the area of the Sandstone Gas Plus in Milk River.

ALBERTA FREEDOM CONVOY TO EDMONTON

A group organized by "Emmalee Rain" on Facebook, operating as "ALBERTA FREEDOM CONVOY 2022CA" has organized a convoy to Edmonton from the Calgary area. Additional groups have indicated their participation, coming from Lethbridge, Valleyview, Barrhead, Lloydminster and others. This group intends to protest around the Legislature in Edmonton and/or to circle the City of Edmonton via the Anthony Henday.

ALBERTA WIDE "SLOW ROLLS" AND CONVOYS

Numerous "Slow Roll" events in protest of the current mandates and/or in support of the Trucker Convoys have been occurring throughout the province.

Twitter user @buperac is planning a "slow roll" on 2022/02/05 at 13:30 from Coaldale to Lethbridge, starting 1 mile east of Coaldale on Highway 3. The same user also indicated that there would be a "slow



roll" from Vegreville to Two Hills at 11:00, and one starting at the Cochrane Historical Preservation Society at 11:00.

Facebook User "Collin Souter" shared a convoy from Lloydminster to Vermillion, starting 2022/02/05 at 10:30. The meeting place for this was behind "Redhead".

FREEDOM SECOND WAVE

Facebook user "Tariq Elnaga" indicated that "Freedom's Second Wave" would be departing Calgary for Ottawa at 10:00 on 2022/02/06. ELNAGA was a Maverick Party candidate in 2021. The starting point is the Flying J Travel Centre, 11511 40 St. SE, Calgary, AB.

MISCELLANEOUS

A Sylvan Lake Town Hall protest at 12:00 on 2022/02/05 was shared to the page "Sylvan Speaks – The Voice of the Public & Public Concerns".

LIMITATIONS

This information was gathered primarily from open source where accessible. Private groups and profiles were not viewed nor were encrypted communications.

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